Montana Library Commission Program Goal	**Agency/Program #:**	**5115-01-G1**
	Division:	
	Program:	**Statewide Library Resource**

Agency Name:	Montana Library Commission	
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Program or Project Description:

MSL's Digital Library acquires, manages, and preserves for public access a collection of state publications, professional library development materials, and natural resource information, including geospatial information used by GIS professionals. The GIS Portal, a new initiative, will create a common metadata catalog for geospatial datasets held by MSL and other organizations, which will expand data sharing opportunities among public and private entities.

MSL's Statewide Library Resources administers state and federal library funding to operate and maintain the state library, oversees the six library federations located throughout Montana, develops library oriented statewide long-range planning, policy, and service coordination, and maintains an audio book library for use by Montanans unable to utilize printed materials.

Appropriation, Expenditure and Source					
	2008		**2009**		**Approp & Expenditure numbers are as of August 29, 2008**
Fund Name:	**Approp.**	**Expended**	**Approp.**	**Expended**	
General Fund	150,000	140,002	150,000	12,625	
State Special	317,495	317,495	317,495	13,277	
Federal Funds			65,200	40,790	
Total:	**$467,495**	**$457,497**	**$532,695**	**$66,692**	

Legislative Goal(s):

Provide libraries, agencies, partners, and patrons with convenient, high quality, and cost-effective access to library content and services.

Legislative Performance Measures:

By fiscal year end 2008, implement Geographic Information (GIS) portal technology combining and enhancing the best attributes of the current NRIS clearinghouse to catalog and provide access to geospatial datasets held at MSL. Provide an interface that allows users to publish metadata records, organize groups and provide access to geospatial data held at their organizations.

By fiscal year end 2009, the value of these E-content services will be measured by an annual increase in E-content user statistics of at least 5 percent, documentation of user demand for additional E-content services, and anecdotal reports from librarians and patrons indicating that access to E-content made a difference in their lives like helping them to accomplish an educational or personal growth goal.

		Completion Dates	
2009 Biennium Significant Milestones:		**Target**	**Actual**
1	Planning complete	12/31/2007	12/31/2007
2	Implementation of GIS Portal Prototype completed	1/31/2008	03/13/2008
	Initial Metadata catalog complete		06/20/2008
	Focus group of publishers and users established		01/31/2008
3	Implementation of first release complete, accompanied by press release	4/1/2008	8/1/2008
4	Migrate GIS Portal to the new ESRI 9.3 software	12/1/2008	
5	Develop conceptual plan and work timeline for integrated Digital Atlas/Topofinder to replace GIS Portal Map Viewer; will integrate spatial and other database resources	12/1/2008	

| E-Content Phase Two participation - adding additional libraries | 9/25/2008 | |
| E-Content Phase Three participation - adding additional libraries | 12/20/2008 | |

Agency Performance Report:

Montana GIS Portal

The State Library announced the availability of the Montana GIS Portal in September. The GIS Portal is a searchable metadata repository for Geographic Information System (GIS) data available from Montana organizations. The initial release of the Portal contains records of the data collections of the State Library's Natural Resource Information System (NRIS), the Montana Base Map Service Center, Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks, and the Flathead County GIS department. State Library staff will be visiting other agencies to assist them in the process of completing their metadata and uploading it to the Portal.

The Portal includes an on-line map browser that provides access to a basic map of Montana and allows users to look at the map services they discover in the Portal. In the future, the map browser will be upgraded and will replace the Library's Digital Atlas and Topofinder applications, and a significant portion of the State's map data that are now only available as downloadable data for professional GIS users will be made available for on-line browsing by the public.
Planning complete – 12/31/07
Implementation of GIS Portal Prototype completed – 03/13/08
Initial Metadata Catalog complete – 06/20/08
Focus Group of Publishers and users established – 01/31/08
Implementation of first release complete, accompanied by press release;
Portal is available for public access at http://gisporta.mt.gov 09/08/08

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LFD Narrative:

LFD ASSESSMENT: On Track

DATA RELEVANCE: Yes

APPROPRIATION STATUS: Appropriation and expenditure data were provided.

COMMENTS/ISSUES: Work on the GIS portal appears to be continuing, with additional upgrades expected to be completed by the end of FY 2009. Additionally, the success of delivering E-Content Services to Montana citizens will be measured at the end of the 2009 biennium.

Due to this timing, the LFC may want to request a progress report on the implementation of these service be provided to the joint appropriations education subcommittee in January or February 2009 or to the next LFC following the 2009 legislative session.

The agency indicates it will measure the value of the E-Content Services by the annual increase in E-content user statistics; however, the agency has not indicated a baseline number from which to measure. The LFC may want to request the agency provide this information in any follow up performance report.

OPTIONS:
   No further review or Progress Report Requested
   Request Additional Information

Version	Date	Author	Change Description
	9/23/2008	Joehler	Cut/paste agency report from Word; entered LFD narrative